GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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SETTING UP OF RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Residential Schools proposed to be set up in every tribal populated State during the Ninth Plan, State-wise;

(b) the number of Residential Schools actually been set up in those States, as on date, State-wise;

(c) the steps taken to achieve the target set for the Ninth Plan and also to resolve the problems of drop-out; and

(d) the efforts made to provide good quality education to the tribal students?

Answer

MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM)

(a) & (b) Under Article 275 (1) of the Constitution, Government has decided to set up 100 Model Residential Schools for Scheduled Tribe students for Class VI to XII Standard in various States during Ninth plan. These schools will be run by Registered Society. The progress of setting up of these schools is in different stages. A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

(c) & (d) In order to achieve the target and to provide quality education to tribal students as well as to reduce the prop-out, level, the concept of Model Residential School out of grant under Article 275 (1) of the Constitution was introduced in 1997-98. To minimize the Government interference in the management of these schools and to ensure maximum autonomy in its functioning, the States have been requested to register society on the pattern of Andhra Pradesh Tribal Welfare Residential and Ashram Education Institution Society (Regd.) for the management of these schools. For the purpose, it had been decided to provide Rs.250 crores to various States during Ninth plan period at the rate of Rs.2.50 crores per school against which Government has released an amount of Rs.82 crores for setting up of 75 Model Residential Schools so far.